

## **I. Where We've Been**

### **a. Community Workshop #1 (15 attendees)**

#### **i. Parks Inventory Presentation**

1. The consultant team and staff presented the current state of Liberty Lake Parks, Trails, and Open Space opportunities. Local tennis players made their concerns for more tennis courts known.

#### **ii. Survey**

1. Our survey explored people's issues and concerns on the current parks, trails and open space system of Liberty Lake. We looked into how people are using the facilities and the improvements they feel are important to the future of the overall system.
  - a. There were a wide range of age groups, family status, ideas and opinions within the twenty-nine respondents to our survey. Additionally, there were those who made their overall concerns and ideas known by email or letter.

### **b. Community Workshop#2 (21 attendees)**

#### **i. Focus Groups**

1. We categorized the comments we had received on the survey and randomly split the workshop attendees into groups to explore the opportunities and challenges within each category – Parks, Trails, Open Space, and Sports Facilities. The groups then reconvened and presented their findings both written and visually (on maps of the city).
  - a. The meeting resulted in all present having the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of the various ideas and issues present within each category. Individual comments by category were encouraged and added to the focus group findings.

### **c. Community Workshop#3 (10 attendees)**

#### **i. Quad Map and Ranking Sheets**

1. A map was created, splitting the city into four distinct quadrants with existing and proposed trails and proposed park service areas. Within each quadrant, attendees ranked categories and subcategories that were generated by the previous two workshops.
  - a. The workshop resulted in a thoughtful examination of what was important to implement where. The overall subcategory ranking and relative weight of the category and subcategory rank (by number of votes garnered) were distilled into a prioritized list of broad concepts. Comments were also compiled by quadrant subcategory.

#### **ii. Broad Concepts**

1. **Community Park Development** – Future community parks should be developed to provide amenities, activities and recreational opportunities that do not duplicate the those at Pavillion Park.
  2. **Neighborhood Park Development** – Future neighborhood parks should serve an area within ¼ - ½ mile and provide playgrounds with swings (traditional and tot), play structures that are accessible to all and tennis court(s).
  3. **Trails** - Connective trails suitable for pedestrians, bicycling and rollerblading with independent ROWs – priority given to a trail connection around the southern portion of Liberty Lake to Liberty Lake Regional Park.
  4. **Open Space** - A pedestrian-friendly town square connected to a cohesive trail and greenway system.
  5. **Aesthetics** - Character and aesthetic enhancements to City of Liberty Lake entries.
  6. **Sports and Aquatics**
    - a. A public swimming pool/wading pool in a community park.
    - b. Cooperate w/ Central Valley School District to coordinate development of sport/game fields/courts at school sites.
  7. **Maintenance** - Uphold proper maintenance levels throughout parks and trail system
- iii. Subcategory Ranking by City Quadrants (Top 3 subcategories)
1. **NW Quad**
    - a. Community Parks
      - i. Aquatics
      - ii. Preservation
      - iii. Interpretive
    - b. Neighborhood Parks
      - i. Cultural Events
      - ii. Maintenance
      - iii. Level of Service
    - c. River & Trails
      - i. Kayak/Rafting/Tubing
      - ii. Bicycle/Rollerblade
      - iii. Connective
    - d. Open Space
      - i. Spokane River Banks
      - ii. Town Square
      - iii. Trails in Independent ROW
    - e. Sports Facilities
      - i. Sports World
      - ii. Sports USA
      - iii. School/Park Cooperative

## **2. NE Quad**

- a. Community Parks
  - i. Site Furnishings
  - ii. Cultural Events
  - iii. Sports/Games (i.e., tennis)
- b. Neighborhood Parks
  - i. Maintenance
  - ii. Sports/Games (i.e., tennis)
  - iii. Playground Equipment
- c. River & Trails
  - i. Bicycle/Rollerblade
  - ii. Connective
  - iii. Trails in Independent ROW
- d. Open Space
  - i. Spokane River Banks
  - ii. Connectivity
  - iii. Interpretive

## **3. SW Quad**

- a. Community Parks
  - i. Playground Equipment
  - ii. Level of Service
  - iii. Cultural Events
- b. Open Space
  - i. Town Square
  - ii. Aesthetic Enhancements
  - iii. Connectivity

## **4. SE Quad**

- a. Community Parks
  - i. Aquatics
  - ii. Preservation
  - iii. Interpretive
- b. Neighborhood Parks
  - i. Cultural Events
  - ii. Maintenance
  - iii. Level of Service
- c. River & Trails
  - i. Around Liberty Lake
  - ii. Connective
  - iii. Walking/Jogging
- d. Open Space
  - i. McKenzie Bay
  - ii. County Park
  - iii. Connectivity
- e. Sports Facilities
  - i. School/Park Cooperative
  - ii. Sports USA

d. **Community Workshop#4 (9 attendees)**

i. Public Participation Process Presentation and an Additional Survey of Quadrant-based Planning Priorities with Commentary

1. A presentation was given on the public participation process and our findings. Attendees offered their comments on the process and were asked to rank their priorities by city quadrant and provide additional comment, if desired.

- a. The workshop resulted in a deeper understanding on the planning priorities the public has for different areas of Liberty Lake.